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Meeting of the
STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION
San Francisco City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, California
August 6, 1999

MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Sue F. Schechter, Chairperson
Jeff Samudio, Vice Chair
Herb Brin
Jane Foster Carter
John D. Henderson, FAIA
Russell L. Kaldenberg
Stephen L. Taber, Esq.
Robert W. Winter

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Robert L. Hoover

STAFF PRESENT

Daniel Abeyta, Executive Secretary
Frances (Bo) Sargent, Recording Secretary
Maryln Bourne-Lortie, Staff Historian
Cynthia Howse, Staff Architectural Historian
Eugene Itogawa, Staff Historian III
Rachel Magana, OHP Staff
Jenan Saunders, Staff Historian

VISITORS REGISTERED/REPRESENTING

(Attachment A)

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Legal notice having been duly given, the State Historical Resources Commission meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Chairperson Schechter.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Brin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF

Chairperson Schechter requested all Commissioners and staff present to introduce themselves.

Commissioner Schechter introduced Ms. Helen Skripkin, past Commissioner of the State Historical Resources Commission and Mr. John Merritt, past Executive Director of the California Preservation Foundation.

WELCOME

Mr. Gerald Green, Director of Planning, City/County of San Francisco

Honorable Willie Brown, Mayor, City/County of San Francisco.

Honorable Alicia Becerril, Member, Board of Supervisors

Mr. Daniel Reidy, President, Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board

Mr. Neil Hart, Planner, City/County of San Francisco

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 23 AND MAY 20, 1999 MINUTES

Commissioner Carter moved for approval of the Minutes of the April 23, 1999 meeting; Commissioner Brin seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Carter moved for approval of the Minutes of the May 20, 1999 meeting. Vice Chair Samudio requested that the approval of the minutes of the May 20, 1999 meeting be held until next meeting so he could listen to the May 20, 1999 tapes. Commissioner Carter withdrew her motion.

COMMISSION, DEPARTMENT AND STAFF REPORTS

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT - SUE SCHECHTER

Chairperson Schechter reported that she, Commissioner Kaldenberg, and Executive Secretary Abeyta attended the 1st Annual Conference of the National Association Tribal Historic Preservation Officers in Eureka, which was hosted by the Yurok Tribe. She stated that the Yurok Tribe will maintain site records and is the 12th Information Center in California. (ATTACHMENT B)

Chairperson Schechter announced the 1999 CLG Grant awards which are:

City of Vallejo	\$12,500
City of San Diego	7,500
City of Sunnyvale	5,000
County of Tuolumne	15,000
City of Pasadena	15,000
County of Monterey	15,000
City of Santa Cruz	4,800
City of Highland	4,000
City of Danville	15,000
City of Glendale	15,000

Vice Chair Samudio made the motion to approve the list of the recipients of the 1999 CLG Grant Awards. Commissioner Henderson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT – DANIEL ABEYTA

Executive Secretary Abeyta reported that he attended the dedication of Jardin del Encanto in Monterey Park on June 15, 1999, the Conference of the National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers held in Eureka and a press release announcement at Angel Island. He stated that Angel Island is a historical resource that is in need of preservation and is considered by the National Trust as one of 11 most endangered historical sites. This event was to bring National endangered historical sites to the public's attention.

Executive Secretary Abeyta reviewed the California Legislation Update.
(ATTACHMENT C)

SLIDE PRESENTATION

A slide presentation and staff reports on the applications to the National Register of Historic Places, California Historical Landmarks, and California Register of Historical Resources were given.

CONSENT CALENDAR NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

The following National Register applications have been scheduled on a consent calendar:

Willits Depot/Northwestern Pacific Depot

Willits, Mendocino County
Local Level of Significance

Bird & Dinkelspiel Store

Birds Landing, Solano County
Local Level of Significance

San Francisco - Oakland Bay Bridge

San Francisco, San Francisco City/County
Oakland, Alameda County
Local Level of Significance

Tehachapi Railroad Depot

Tehachapi, Kern County
Local Level of Significance

Otis Elevator Company Building

San Francisco, San Francisco City/County
Local Level of Significance

Vice Chair Samudio moved to adopt staff recommendations and transmit the above applications to the State Historic Preservation Officer for forwarding to the Keeper for placement on the National Register of Historic Places at the appropriate levels of significance and also for placement on the California Register of Historical Resources. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Carter. Action: Motion carried unanimously.

CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL LANDMARK

The following California Historical Landmark applications have been scheduled on a consent calendar:

None scheduled.

CALIFORNIA POINT OF HISTORICAL INTEREST

The following California Point of Historical Interest application has been scheduled on a consent calendar:

David Familian Chapel

Los Angeles, Los Angeles County

Commissioner Brin moved to adopt staff recommendations and transmit the above application to the State Historic Preservation Officer for forwarding to the Director of Parks and Recreation for designation as a California Point of Historical Interest and for placement on the California Register of Historical Resources. Commissioner Winter seconded. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

CALIFORNIA REGISTER OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES

The following California Register of Historical Resources application has been scheduled on a consent calendar:

Bell House

Bell, Los Angeles County

Commissioner Carter moved to place the property on the California Register of Historical Resources. Commissioner Brin seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Carter moved to adopt the draft findings on the above application as presented. Commissioner Brin seconded the motion. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND HEARINGS

Chairperson Schechter introduced Courtney Damkroger, Assistant Director, Western Regional Office, National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Ms. Damkroger reported on events that the National Trust for Historic Preservation would be working in partnership with the OHP, CPF and other organizations. The first was AB133, which is the local landmark exemption for religious owned non-commercial property. She stated that when this bill passed, the coalition sued to invalidate it and was successful. She then reported on the "Save America's Treasures Program" created by the White House Millennium Council to preserve America's threatened cultural resources for the new millennium. The Getty Grant Program, was awarded a million dollar gift from the Save America's Treasures Program, to the National Trust to provide planning grants to go to non-profits for resources that are threatened. Ms. Damdroger also reported on the 11 Most Endangered Program, two sites of that program are in California; one is Angel Island and the other, the San Diego Warehouse District. She concluded by reminding everyone that the National Preservation Conference will be held in Los Angeles, October 31st - November 5th, 2000 and stated that the State Department of Parks and Recreation is a principal sponsor of that conference. She added that the National Conference in 1999 is coming up this fall in Washington, D.C. from October 19 – 24, 1999.

Chairperson Schechter announced that Director Areias, Director, Department of Parks and Recreation was in the audience and welcomed him to the meeting. She asked if he would like to step forward and speak to the Commission.

Director Areias stated that he came to observe the proceedings and was happy to attend the meeting. As Director of Parks and Recreation, he looked forward to working cooperatively with the Commission.

Vice Chair Samudio added that the Commission looks forward to meeting with the Director on the draft Mission and Goals for the Year '99-2000.

Chairperson Schechter introduced Mr. Tom Mayer, Friends of 1800 Market. Mr. Mayer stated that he represents an art group for the preservation of the Carmel-Fallon Building in San Francisco. He gave a brief history of the building and expressed the need for preservationist groups in the city and state to work with community and neighborhood groups to get support from various preservation agencies. Mr. Mayer also mentioned the need for the historic plaque for the Woodward's Gardens, a Victorian amusement park, to be moved to a more appropriate location.

B. Statewide Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan for California.

Chairperson Schechter asked if there was anyone who would like to suggest any goals to the Commission

Mr. Dave Warren stated that he represents a group of people who were interested in preserving the Giant Camera created in 1946 by the Cliffhouse. He stated that at the next Commission meeting, the group would like to present why the Camera Obscura should be included on the National Register of Historic Places.

Executive Secretary Abeyta gave a brief history of the Statewide Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan and stated that the plan is a requirement of the Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) to operate and is part of the agreement with the National Park Service (NPS) to operate the State Historic Program. He stated that the OHP is accepting comments from the public by electronic media or written. The NPS requires that a draft be submitted to them by the end of 1999 and that they will review the draft, return it to OHP to make modifications as needed and finally have an approved strategic plan by December 31, 2000.

ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. CHRIS: Conversion from manual to electronic system – Commissioner Kaldenberg

Commissioner Kaldenberg gave a brief review of the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) and then reported that the conversion of manual data to electronic data has been going on quite rapidly and is being tested to see how usable the data is. A contract has been initiated to begin working with Native American groups

in California. Mr. Daniel McCarthy, San Bernardino National Forest and University of California, Riverside, has been hired to begin the Native American contact program to ensure that coordination be made with all the Tribes in California to include their concerns and issues. He also reported that they are working with a biodiversity task force to ensure the new electronic system will be compatible with CERES and with the biological information that is needed for planning purposes so a system can be created that is integratable. Commissioner Kaldenberg concluded by announcing that Mr. Bill Seidel, OHP staff archeologist and coordinator for the CHRIS, will be retiring June 2000. He expressed his concern that it will be difficult to find a person to replace Bill.

B. Protection of Pioneer Cemeteries – Chairperson Schechter

Chairperson Schechter announced that the issue on the Protection of Pioneer Cemeteries item will be carried over to be heard at the November 5, 1999 meeting.

(Change in Agenda) Commissioner Carter moved to hear the discussion for the California Register of Historical Resources items out of order. Vice Chair Samudio seconded. **Action:** Motion carried unanimously.

CALIFORNIA REGISTER OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES

APPLICATIONS, NEW

The following California Register of Historical Resources application has been scheduled for discussion:

Old Hickory Inn

Glendora, Los Angeles County

SPEAKERS IN SUPPORT

David Chantarangsu, City of Glendora

Christy McAvoy, Historic Resources Group

SPEAKERS IN OPPOSITION

William Driscoll, attorney represents the Derby Restaurant (the Old Hickory) owners

Roger Hatheway, Hatheway and Associates

After clarification of methodology of the research on eligibility, discussion on alterations of the property, and California Register criteria, Vice Chair Samudio stated that he

would have to go against staff recommendation and make the motion that the Commission determine the property eligible for the California Register.

The Commissioners continued to discuss concerns regarding issues and factors that may determine the eligibility of properties. Commissioner Henderson stated that there are a number of items that are not known and he suggested that the nomination be continued until the next Commission meeting to allow all parties to get together to come up with a new, more focused, identifiable nomination.

Commissioner Carter stated that there is a motion on the floor with no second and that they have gone into discussion so its possible to take action on the nomination.

Chairperson Schechter asked if there was a second to the motion. Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion.

The Commissioners continued discussion of the nomination, considering Route 66 as the context of the California Register and where properties would be considered eligible as part of the context of Route 66.

Chairperson Schechter called for a vote. **Action:** Ayes – 1; Opposed – 7

Chairperson Schechter asked if anyone would like to propose another motion or carry it over.

Vice Chair Samudio moved to have another review to include additional information on the Old Hickory Inn and notice it for another Commission hearing.
Commissioner Henderson seconded the motion.

Question directed to staff:

If the Commission has not approved the nomination as eligible for the California Register, is it necessary for the Commission to disapprove the application by motion as ineligible?

Staff's response:

The Commission is not required to take a motion to prove the property eligible or ineligible. They could consider a second motion to formally determine the property ineligible, or decide to take no action. That's the Commissions right as well.

The Commission continued discussion.

Vice Chair Samudio amended his motion to have staff take a new fresh look at all the information presented in the original application and the numerous rebuttals and with the larger context with the statement involved regarding Route 66 for presentation at the next meeting in Sacramento.

Ms. Saunders stated that the development of a context for Route 66 is a very large task and will take a large quantity of staff's time.

The Commission suggested specific ways to research methods to prepare the development of the Route 66 context.

Chairperson Schechter called for a second to the motion. Commissioner Henderson seconded.

The Commission discussed the applicant's responsibility to establish the context for a nomination, that it would be incumbent upon the applicant to want to strengthen their case.

It was requested of Vice Chair Samudio to repeat the motion. Chairperson Schechter called for the vote. **Action:** Ayes – 7; Opposed 1.

PENDING APPLICATIONS

None

OTHER BUSINESS

REMOVAL REQUEST

It has been requested that the following property be removed from the California Register of Historical Resources due to owner objection.

Haas Woodworking

San Francisco, San Francisco County

Ms. Jenan Saunders, Staff Historian, presented an overview of the application.

SPEAKERS IN SUPPORT OF REMOVAL

Mr. Robert Haas, Owner of Haas Woodworking

Mrs. Irene Haas, Owner of Haas Woodworking

Mr. Joseph Martinez, attorney representing Haas Woodworking

Commissioner Carter moved to proceed with request by the owners for removal from the California Register of Historical Resources and to include applicant's findings of the Haas Woodworking. Commissioner Kaldenberg seconded the motion.

The Commission discussed their concern that they did not hear from the opposition to the request for the property to be removed from the California Register of Historical Resources.

Chairperson Schechter called for a vote to the motion for removing the nomination from the California Register of Historical Resources.

Action: Ayes – 6; Nays – 1; Abstain – 1. Motion carried.

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

APPLICATIONS, NEW

The following National Register nomination on a consent calendar was re-scheduled to be heard for discussion:

Daphne's San Francisco Funeral Home
San Francisco, San Francisco City/County
Local Level of Significance

Chairperson Schechter announced that before the meeting began it was decided that each side, those in favor and those opposed, would have twenty minutes to speak after which each side would have an additional 10 minutes for rebuttal.

SPEAKERS IN SUPPORT

Christopher VerPlank, San Francisco Architectural Heritage
Chandler McCoy, architect/President, Docomomo/US
Laura Culberson, Member, Docomomo/US

SPEAKERS IN OPPOSITION

Tim Kelly, San Francisco Landmarks Preservation Board
Carol Galante
Patrick McGrew, Architect

REBUTTALS IN SUPPORT

Andrew Wolfram, Architect/Member, Docomomo/US
Michael Blackford, Save the Daphne

REBUTTALS IN OPPOSITION

Patrick McGrew, Architect
David Cincotta, Attorney

Discussion among the Commissioners followed. Some of the Commissioners were concerned that the integrity of the fabric of the building had been compromised after the 1968 fire when the main building exterior was replaced with plywood and vertical battens changing the horizontal concept of the architect's original design. At this same time the original steel-sash windows had been replaced with aluminum. Some Commissioners took exception to comments criticizing A. Quincy Jones stature as an architect and the significance of his work, since many fine Quincy Jones buildings survive in Southern California today as examples of modernist architecture. The OHP staff report and evaluation of Daphne's Funeral Home did not make a recommendation.

Commissioner Brin moved for the Commission to find the property eligible for listing and transmit the above application to the State Historic Preservation Officer for forwarding to the Keeper for placement on the National Register of Historic Places at the appropriate level of significance and also for placement on the California Register of Historical Resources. Motion seconded by Commissioner Henderson. .

Commissioner Carter requested a roll call vote.

Recording Secretary Bo Sargent called the roll.

Commissioner Taber	Aye
Commissioner Brin	Aye
Commissioner Carter	Opposed
Vice Chair Samudio	Aye
Chairperson Schechter	Opposed
Commissioner Winter	Opposed
Commissioner Kaldenberg	Opposed
Commissioner Henderson	Aye

Results: Tied vote – 4 Ayes; 4 Opposed

Action: Motion did not pass.

Commissioner Henderson stated that he felt the nomination should be forwarded to the Keeper.

Commissioner Carter stated that the motion failed, and she would oppose forwarding the application to the Keeper without a vote of support for eligibility.

The Commission discussed the situation of the split vote. Staff historian, Maryln Lortie stated that it was still possible to have the nomination forwarded to the Keeper.

Commissioner Winter then stated that he would like to change his vote.

Executive Secretary Abeyta stated that only before the results are announced, could a vote be changed. If there is a tie, the motion fails and if a person wanted to change his vote, it would have to be done before the results were announced. He stated that the

Commission moved to make a recommendation of eligibility and since the motion failed, a recommendation could not be made to the Keeper.

Mr. Cincotta, attorney, stated that the failure of motion to pass suggests that there is no recommendation. The SHPO has two remaining procedures to deal with eligibility. He stated that the Commission does not have to take any further action. He reiterated that the position of the Commission is to make recommendation and that the recommendation has failed.

Ms. Marsha Rosen, Director, Mayor's Office of Housing, stated that the failure of the motion recommending that the SHPO move this nomination to the Keeper would not allow this motion to go forward and the SHPO does not have the authority under the statute to advance the nomination.

Chairperson Schechter stated that the issue should be taken to the department's attorney for clarification.

Executive Secretary Abeyta stated that the motion was made, and voted on and the vote resulted in a tie which according to Robert's Rules of Order the motion is lost. Also according to Robert's, once an action is taken another vote on the same action cannot be taken. Because the Commission is reviewing a nomination to make a recommendation to SHPO, it would be deemed that the Commission has acted on that nomination and because the motion lost, no recommendation was made. He stated that he did not believe that the Commission could take another action on it.

Mr. McGrew pointed out that the sponsor still has the possibility of appealing their nomination directly to the Keeper. He stated that this is not a development hearing, it's a hearing on the merits of the case. If things are going to happen to this property, that's outside the purview of the National Register nomination.

PROGRESS REPORT, NATIONAL REGISTER

The following nominations have been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. The National Park Service Notice of Listings, identifying these nominations, has been received by the Office of Historic Preservation since the last regular meeting of the Commission. *These properties also have been placed on the California Register of Historical Resources:*

La Puente Valley Woman's Club, La Puente, Los Angeles County, 4/29/99
The Willmore, Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, 05/20/99
Jess Valley Schoolhouse, Likely vicinity, Modoc County, 05/20/99
Allen, Theophilus, House, Palo Alto, Santa Clara County, 05/20/99
French Park Historic District, Santa Ana, Orange County, 05/12/99

The following property has been removed from the listing on the National Register of Historic Places:

Rock Magnetics Laboratory, Menlo Park, San Mateo County, 05/05/99

The following properties have had additional documentation approved.

Rancho De Los Kiotes, Carlsbad, San Diego County, 05/12/99
Los Rios Street Historic District, San Juan Capistrano, Orange County, 05/28/99

The following property has been designated a National Historic Landmark:

Mission Santa Inez, Solvang, Santa Barbara County

CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL LANDMARKS

APPLICATIONS, NEW

None

Dedications since April 23, 1999:

Landmark No. 816
Union Cemetery
San Mateo County, 07/04/99

PROGRESS REPORT

Registrations and plaque allocations as approved by the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation. *These properties also have been placed on the California Register of Historical Resources:*

Landmark No. 1030
"Star of India"
San Diego, San Diego County

Landmark No. 1031
Ferryboat "Berkeley"
San Diego, San Diego County

Landmark No. 120
Dersch Homestead
Shasta County

Landmark No. 1025
**Ukrania, Site of Agapius
Honcharenko Farmstead**
Alameda County

Future Dedications:

Landmark No. 622
Harry Wade Exit Route
San Bernardino County, 11/13/99

Landmark No. 1030
"Star of India"
San Diego County, 08/08/99

Marsha Rosen interrupted Chairperson Schechter to acknowledge that action was taken on the agenda item of the Daphne Funeral Home but the Commission has moved on to other business. She stated that she felt uneasy regarding the incompleteness of the actions taken during the proceedings and requested clarification of the outcome.

Executive Secretary Abeyta explained that he has checked with legal council and stated that the Commission has acted on the nomination and has taken action. The opinion is that the matter is closed. Anyone may forward the nomination to the Keeper when the Commission has failed to recommend the nomination. The Keeper of the National Register must respond within 45 days. With regard to Commissioner Brin's concern that the building is in jeopardy, it still has to go through evaluation by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Alternatives to demolition will be considered as required by that statute. The item was noticed on the agenda and brought before the Commission and the Commission has taken its action. According to legal council, this matter is closed.

CALIFORNIA POINTS OF HISTORICAL INTEREST

APPLICATIONS, NEW

None

PROGRESS REPORT

Nothing to report.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Liaison and Committee Progress Reports:

1. State Historical Building Safety Board – Vice Chair Samudio

Vice Chair Samudio reported that the State Historical Building Safety Board has not met since the last meeting of the Commission. He stated that he would like to discuss the Preservation Emergencies, the Financial Incentives, and the Missions and Goals for 1999-2000 at the next Commission meeting when he hoped he will have the budget information that was asked for at the last Commission meeting and the transcribed audio tapes, that he had possession of, and he assured that those would be out for the next Commission meeting.

2. California Heritage Fund Committee – Commissioner Henderson

Commissioner Henderson stated that he had nothing to report regarding the committee.

Executive Secretary Abeyta reported that OHP had been in contact with the grant recipient of Mariposa County and was given assurances that they would proceed with the Trubuco Store project. Still no action has been taken. Mr. Abeyta stated that he intended to meet with the grant recipient himself to discuss the project and give them one last opportunity to take action or he will have to recommend it be withdrawn. He stated that this project is so worthy of being preserved that he feels that he would recommend that the OHP be patient and work with the recipient as much as possible.

3. Educational Committee – Chairperson Schechter

Chairperson Schechter reported that the committee has not met, but she wanted to comment that there was an exhibit on letters, that were sent during the Gold Rush, on display at the Santa Barbara Historical Society.

4. Information Center Procedural Committee – Commissioner Kaldenberg

Commissioner Kaldenberg reported that the committee has not met. He and staff from SHPO have met with information centers twice within the last couple of months preparing for the digitizing of site records, data management, and a new information center. All the records at the information centers are being scanned.

5. Public Policy and Legislation Committee – Commissioner Taber

Nothing to report.

6. Preservation Financial Incentives Committee – Vice Chair Samudio

Nothing to report.

7. Future Plaque Dedicatins and Other Activities – Commissioner Brin

Commissioner Brin reported that three plaque dedications are to take place. They are:

No. 622, Harry Wade Exit Route, San Bernardino County, 11-13-99

No. 816, Union Cemetery, San Mateo County, 7-4-99

No. 1030, "Star of India", San Diego County, 8-8-99

He stated that Long Beach should be considered as a site for a future meeting because of its remarkable entry point for America.

8. Preservation Emergencies/Task Force Committee – Vice Chair Samudio

Included in State Historical Building Safety Board report.

9. Goals and Objectives for 1999 – Vice Chair Samudio

Included in the State Historical Building Safety Board report.

CALENDAR FOR YEAR 1999

September 23, 1999 in Sacramento

Planning/Policy Meeting

November 5, 1999 in Nevada City

Regular Quarterly Meeting

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Chairperson Schechter stated that Mr. Itogawa informed the Commission that they will not be able to take action on the Old Hickory Inn at the September Commission meeting because there was not enough time to notice it legally. It will have to be held over for the November 5, 1999 meeting in Nevada City.

Chairperson Schechter stated that regarding the future invitations for meeting locations for the year 2000, Commissioner Carter was looking into Eureka as a meeting site in August because of its recent status as a CLG, and the other site was Chico.

Commissioner Kaldenberg reported that the Commission has been invited by the mayor and manager of Ridgecrest, CA to hold a meeting in Ridgecrest in the fall or spring of year 2000. It would be hosted either by the city, local museum, or China Lake Naval Weapons Center.

Commissioner Henderson passed out information to the Commissioners on a workshop on restoring architectural terra cotta at Stanford University in September, 1999. He commented that the National Register nomination for the Otis Elevator Building passed on the consent calendar at the local level of significance. He suggested to staff that it should be considered at the state level.

OHP staff responded to Commissioner Henderson's suggestion by stating that the applicant provided a context for the local area that most of the San Francisco buildings had their elevators produced by this particular company, however, they did not mention that Otis Elevator building produced elevators used anywhere else in the state. Ms. Lortie stated that there were other building sites that also produced Otis elevators.

Commissioner Kaldenberg passed out information from UPI about how much money culturism and preservation tourism generates in the State of Texas per year. He stated

that the community of Ridgecrest relies on tourism to generate about two million dollars a year.

Vice Chair Samudio commented that tourism is the fastest growing business now and cultural heritage tourism is the fastest growing sector. He stated that the only other business that outranked them was agriculture.

Executive Secretary Abeyta commented that Texas did a comprehensive study on the economic benefits of heritage tourism. He stated that it is possible to obtain information on the benefits of heritage tourism and the economy of Texas by accessing the Texas web site. He stated that historic preservation promotes heritage tourism and he would explore ways that a similar study be commissioned for California.

Chairperson Schechter reported that during a bus tour of the 710 Freeway the Commission noted that many of the important historic homes had fallen into disrepair. She reported that in her local paper of May 20, 1999, Senator Adam Schiff reported that the State Senate Transportation Committee voted to approve a bill that will establish a historic property maintenance fund to pay for the upkeep of rare historic homes in the 710 Freeway corridor. **(ATTACHMENT D)**

Chairperson Schechter congratulated Commissioner Winter on his newly published book.

Commissioner Winter thanked Chairperson Schechter.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairperson Schechter adjourned the regular meeting of the State Historical Resources Commission at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Abeyta
Executive Secretary

DATED:_____